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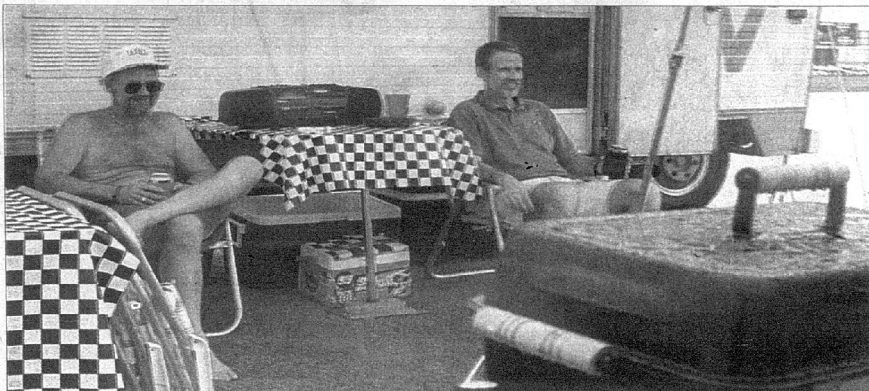
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Above, Stewart Love of Gillespie, left, and Steve Greenwalt of O'Fallon wait out the rain Thursday at Gateway International Raceway in Madison. Below, Jimmy Hennsly signs a shirt for Belleville resident Steve Newell. Tim Stephenson photos

Rain puts brakes on testing

But all expecting great race

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

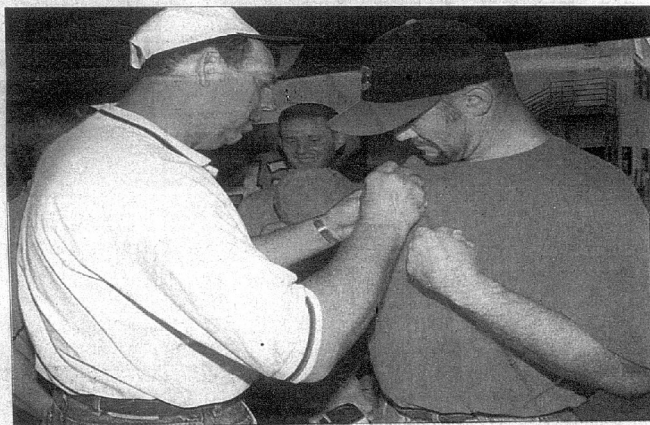
Instead of engines roaring and tires squealing, the pattering of rain left drivers bored and gave mechanics time for fine-tuning.

A "Nagging" all-day rain Thursday washed out the opening round of testing for the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series Ram Tough 200 at Gateway International Raceway in Madison, but drivers and track officials were still anticipating a fine weekend of racing.

Because of newspaper deadlines, results of the races will be published in Wednesday's *Journal*.

"The forecast tells us it's

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Group striving for solid future

City's revitalization is goal

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Editor's note: this is the first in a series examining Solid Granite's objectives for revitalizing the city.

The revitalization movement to make Granite City the best city in

GRANITE CITY which to live and work is

picking up speed. Solid Granite Inc., a non-profit corporation several community leaders and residents formed in 1997, wants to enhance the image and quality of city living and business by promoting community development and civic growth. It's an ambitious idea that Solid Granite recognizes only

"We knew we needed more than just us involved. (The objectives) are far-reaching and very aggressive."

Tom Hewlett
President of Solid Granite

will come to pass when more people, from government to residents, catch the dream as well.

On Sept. 15, members of the Solid Granite Board of Directors met with the council's Downtown Rehabilitation Committee in a

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Quarrel leads to false accusations

Man allegedly told police his neighbor was a molester

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Filing a false police report is not a good idea, as one Granite City man learned Thursday.

GRANITE CITY Ross II.

Bentley, 38, of the 2400 block of Hodges Street, was charged with disorderly conduct for filing a false police report, a felony. Bentley allegedly took his dispute with a neighbor too far when he accused the neighbor of molesting his own daughters.

The conflict between the residents started because the neighbor said Bentley let his dogs run loose without being chained and that the dogs

chased and bit residents. The neighbor planned to take Bentley to court over the dogs, an action which increased the tension between the two.

According to police reports, the suspect had called police anonymously with charges the neighbor molested his daughters. Police investigated the anonymous tip Wednesday afternoon and discovered the charge was false.

The neighbor told police he would make the suspect pay for what he had done. Police left but returned later to Bentley's house for a complaint that the neighbor had broken the windshield of Bentley's pick-up truck in

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District chalks up improvements

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The Madison School District plans what Superintendent Gary Allison calls "significant"

MADISON SCHOOLS improvements in the coming year while keeping the district in the black and the tax rate steady.

A \$9.5 million budget for the 1998-1999 school year, which began July 1 — was approved at Thursday's board meeting. That is an increase of about \$600,000 from the previous year.

The board also approved a tax levy of \$1.14 million.

Allison said the district emphasizes

preschool and early elementary education.

This year, the district added an additional kindergarten and first-grade class at both Blair and Harris elementary schools. Each of the schools also has a new media clerk.

At Blair School, the district will add a parent- and child educator who will work with preschool children and their parents. Harris School will add a



Allison
social worker.

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Annexation of Dial property sought

By Becky Vollmer
Staff writer

The Dial Corp. plant on Illinois 111 may be the latest pawn in the land grab between Edwardsville and the group trying to incorporate

MITCHELL EDWARDSVILLE

The warehouse and surrounding property is included in the incorporation map approved earlier this year by the Madison County Board.

But a petition has been filed to annex the plant and adjacent land to the city of Edwardsville.

If the city annexes the nearly 240 acres, it will hold more than 65 percent of the Gateway

"I don't really feel they (Edwardsville) have any business in the river bottoms. They should stay up on the bluffs where they belong."

Rich Mueller

Commerce Center, a light industrial park expected to generate millions of dollars in revenue — as well as about three-quarters of the state-designated "enterprise zone" —

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Letters to the Editor

East Side Publications, Attn. Letters,
1815 Delmar, Granite City, Ill 62040

Rose is rose

People are special in wonderful ways

At the beginning of each school year, I place a crocheted table runner on top of the bookshelf nearest my work table. I set out pictures of my family, along with some knickknacks many of them gifts from former students.

When I'm finished, I carefully place two silk roses in front of the pictures. The roses are getting a bit frayed, but I would never consider throwing them away. They were given to me by a young boy named Joe one Valentine's Day more than 10 years ago.

All teachers have students they never forget and Joe is one of mine. I was beginning my third year as a resource teacher when Joe was placed in my class. He was in the fourth grade.

Reading was difficult for Joe, but writing and spelling were even more so. He was very typical of many children who have attended my classes. He worked so hard, but his learning disability made academics such a struggle. What made him stand out was his attitude. He had wisdom way beyond his years.

I remember one January day when I asked the students to write down one thing they really liked about themselves and one thing they wanted to change. Joe wrote that he liked the fact that he was good in sports, but wished he wouldn't get upset when his dad thought he hadn't performed well in a sporting event.

I talked to him about it later that day. He explained his dad wanted him to excel in sports and — in his Hispanic culture — that was very important. He was not upset with his father, but wished he could change his own reaction to his father's words.

I was amazed by his maturity. I had worked with Joe for three years and watched his reading improve, but his written expression remained his biggest academic enemy.

As the end of his sixth-grade year approached, our coach had a track and field day. I helped out measuring jumps and clocking races.

Until then, I had not realized how talented Joe was as an athlete. He swept almost every event.

I had known him as a boy who struggled with the written word, as a talented artist, as a caring son and as a student any teacher would love to have in her class. But that day, I saw him as a boy admired by his father and his classmates in a way he probably never would be in the academic arena.

Joe is one of many students I have worked with over the last 15 years who have a learning disability that makes academics very hard, despite a good attitude and the willingness to put in a lot of effort.

But, along with these disabilities, I have seen many strengths. Some have been the stars of our school variety show. On stage, they are confident, the frustration of numbers or letters not on their minds. I have had several students who could draw anything they saw with the expertise of a college fine arts major.

I have watched some of my students perform in plays and sing with beautiful voices. They will not be at the top of their graduating class if grade-point is all you look at, but in many other ways, they soar.

With the recent controversy about grade-point averages and participation in extracurricular activities, I think we need to remember that, just as all people can't sing well, or draw well, or hit 62 home runs in a baseball season, not all people have the ability to achieve well in school.

We do need to help remediate these students' weaknesses, but we also need to build self-esteem by encouraging them to use their God-given abilities. I truly believe that the majority of students, whether they have a Special Education label or not, want to succeed.

If these young people who are not excelling in school are just called "dumb" or "stupid" and their successes in extracurricular activities are taken away, I think society is doing them a grave injustice.

Lori Kemling is a teacher with the St. Louis County Special Schools District. She lives in Waterloo with her husband and three children.

If you would like to be a guest columnist in the Press-Record Journal, call 277-7700 for more information or send one or two sample essays of about 500 words (about two pages, double-spaced) to: Opinion Shapers, Press-Record Journal, 1815 Delmar, Granite City, IL, 62040.

Columnists are encouraged to voice their opinions on political or social issues in the area, reflect on personal discoveries, or offer humorous observations.

Guest columnists receive no monetary compensation. The program is open to both amateur and professional writers. Applicants must be residents of Madison County.

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East St. Louis
Weight lifter



"Pass a law that makes people have to go to AA meetings if they drink and drive."

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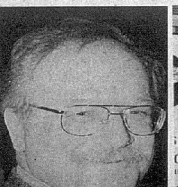
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Letters to the editor

McGwire continues fan-friendly legacy

TO THE EDITOR:
While watching History Channel documentaries about the most forgotten heroes of World War II, I decided to write this article to sports heroes whom I consider to be two of the best.

During the two years ex-Yankee great Roger Maris played in St. Louis for the Cardinals wearing No. 9, I was fortunate to get tickets for a Cardinals-Mets game. I had a seat along the first base line, when the Cardinal bullpen was still along the line. I was 12 years old and took the Redbird Express from Granite City to Busch Stadium. A friend accompanied me that day. My dad had to work, but he knew I was an avid fan and bought me a baseball on which to get autographs.

The seats were in the field boxes just behind the bullpen, and since we arrived early, I went down to the Cardinal dugout during batting practice seeking autographs.

The stadium was nearly empty as I leaned against the top of the dugout. An usher promptly told me to leave the area. As I dejectedly headed back to my seat, Maris trotted by. Sensing the totally crushed feeling I had, Maris gave a big grin and said, "hey kid, catch," throwing me a baseball used in batting practice.

The ball bounced off the top of the dugout only once. I quickly bare-handed it and held it for the rest of the game.

After a great home team win, my friend said we should hurry to catch the bus home. I told him to go on. I was going to get some autographs or else. I waited outside the stadium, where fans wait today, and I was not disappointed. I was able not

only to get Maris' autograph, but also Yogi Berra, who was managing the Mets at the time; Red Schoendienst; Mike Shannon; Dal Maxvill; Dave Ricketts; and others.

I also wanted Curt Flood, Lou Brock and Orlando Cepeda, "The Baby Bull," on that ball.

The thing that impressed me the most was the time and patience Maris seemed to have, as he was the last of the players to leave. He signed baseballs, caps, ticket stubs, popcorn boxes used as megaphones and anything else that could be autographed.

He was definitely a class athlete and a great person. I was somewhat perturbed about the asterisk that was always in record books regarding his 1961 season of 61 home runs in 162 games, while Babe Ruth hit 60 homers in the older 154-game season.

My hope is that Mark McGwire will be the person and ball player to keep that record this year. And he did it with the total coming before the 154-game mark. There will be no asterisk in the record books.

We are fortunate not only to have McGwire on our team but also fortunate to have him in our area to do the great work with the children. He, too, is a great ball player (of course) and a great, caring person.

Good Luck, Mr. McGwire, top the record with several home runs to spare, and here's hoping that you continue to make your home at Busch Stadium.

JEFF CABAN
Granite City

System assaults your rights

TO THE EDITOR:
The Adjudication Court System recently set up in the City of Madison is nothing but a money-grabbing scheme that

violates some of the most cherished fundamental rights guaranteed to American citizens by the U.S. Constitution. It is a throwback to the old Justice of the Peace system, which was discarded long ago because of its overwhelming political and criminal abuses.

Under the so-called Adjudication Court, the judge is not one who has received training in a recognized law school, who is experienced in matters of law, who is chosen by the people and who is fair and impartial.

The "judge" is an individual who happens to be a friend of those in power and who agrees with the philosophy of those in power.

What's more, the "judge" is paid by the same people who are filing the charges ... the city officials. How cozy! As a wise, old sage once said, "He who pays the gold, makes the decision." How can a defendant possibly expect a fair trial before a city's paid judge?

The erosion of fundamental rights continues under this court, the right to a trial by jury of your peers and the right to appeal your conviction to a higher court are non-existent. Once an individual is convicted, it ends there, and the conviction stands.

The fines of those citizens who are found guilty are excessive and oppressive, \$100 and up for minor violations and the graduated fine system coerces citizens into paying fines without ever having his or her day in court, or having the opportunity to confront his or her accuser, much to the relief of the court and city officials and officers.

Madison officials say they want to clean up the town. The fact is that if Madison public officials had been paying attention to the city instead of

trying to annex every piece and parcel of land far and wide for the past 12 years, Madison would be the cleanest town in America.

It is neglect which has led to the condition in which the city finds itself — with numerous dope houses, derelict buildings, crime and unhappy and angry senior citizens who have watched their investment in their homes and their community sour.

And so now Madison city officials are panic-stricken. They hope to clean up a dirty town of their own making by installing a court system that robs citizens of fundamental rights guaranteed by the Constitution.

The police have already abused the system by writing more than 200 tickets. The attitude of the city's judge was indicated clearly in a recent edition of a local paper. The judge was quoted as saying that, "the people are going to have to live by our rules or move somewhere else."

Once in this great nation, if citizens didn't like the rules they had the choice of working to change the rules or to change those who made the rules. They didn't have "to move somewhere else."

Is this still America?
DON GARRETT
Madison County
Board member
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County's drug court garners more honors

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Madison County's much-praised drug court continues to attract nationwide attention.

At Wednesday's regular County Board meeting, Chairman Rudy Papa presented Judge Edward Ferguson with the National Association of Counties Achievement Award plaque. "This is for the fine work that this organization recognizes you are doing," Papa said. The National Association of Counties formally

recognized the drug court in Oregon earlier this summer as being a progressive, creative and effective county government program.

The award was directed at all those involved with the program, said Ferguson, who presides over the drug court. "Within the next couple of months, we'll have our final report for the (first) two years of the program," Ferguson said.

Drug court is the informal nickname for the Madison County Assessment and Treatment Alternative Court, also known as

MC-ATAC. The relatively new program uses treatment and counseling to help drug offenders rather than locking them up in prison.

In the last drug court graduation in June in Edwardsville, Ferguson said the program's future rested upon its graduates because if they did a good job and kept true to the program, funding would continue. Now, the upcoming report will give hard evidence of the program's success. Ferguson said they would cull it down to simple terms so people can fully understand the success drug

court has had.

Madison County's drug court is the first of its kind in the state and serves as a model for others throughout the Midwest. Madison County officials created it in response to a more than 50 percent increase in felony drug cases in the past few years.

County and health officials believed that simply shutting individuals through the criminal justice system only resulted in repeated offenses, so they initiated the program to break the cycle of addiction.

Those eligible for the program include those who have no history of violent or weapons offenses and are charged with certain non-traffic offenses. They may complete intensive treatment in lieu of criminal probation. Defendants also may enter the program as a condition of probation and may qualify for early termination upon completion of the treatment program.

Defendants entering the program do so through written agreement between the prosecutor and defense attorney.

Family Night fosters parental involvement

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The first Family Night program this year for students and parents at Blair and Harris elementary schools will have a magical twist.

Magician-entertainer Chris Eggleston of Cartersville will present Reading is Magic at the Madison High School auditorium. The show contains magic, comedy and audience participation "with a reading slant."

The events will begin at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the respective elementary schools, then move to the high school. It is expected to end at about 8 p.m.

"Family night is important to get parents more involved, concerned and knowledgeable about what is going on in

the school district," said Blair School Principal Bernard Long. "We hope to have good attendance. We feel that it's important for parents to come and see who is working with their kids every day."

He said the school has some kind of family night activity at least every other month that focuses on one aspect of education, such as reading or science.

"Each school plans to start with its traditional format," said Harris School Reading Recovery teacher Terry Bihlmeier. "As usual, we will have math and reading activities where parents interact with their children, and refreshments will be served."

At about 6:45 p.m., activities will move over to the high school.

"We will have buses, which will be

available at both Harris and Blair schools to shuttle Family Night participants to the high school," said Long. "We have always had great attendance at our Family Nights. We expect large numbers, and we don't want anyone staying away because they cannot travel to the high school."

Eggleston, who began reading magic books at the age 6, said he will entertain with an assortment of magic, funny stories, colorful props and other surprises.

"The goal of the show is to encourage the students to read as often as possible — not only to learn but to have fun," he said.

For information call Harris School at 877-6864 or Blair School at 876-4818.

School district offering computer use, classes for Madison residents

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The new computer lab at Madison High School will be available for use by Madison residents on Mondays.

The district also is offering residents a series of free classes on computer use.

The lab — located at Madison High School — will be open from 2:30-7:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. There will be teachers and student aides available to assist.

Classes will be from 4-7 p.m. The first class — beginning Microsoft Windows — will be Monday and Wednesday, Sept. 21 and

23. A second session will be held Sept. 28 and 30.

Other classes include: Microsoft Word for Windows-beginning on Oct. 5 and 7; Microsoft Word for Windows-intermediate on Oct. 19 and 21; Microsoft Word for Windows-advanced on Oct. 26 and 28; Microsoft Excel-beginning Nov. 2 and 4; Microsoft Excel-intermediate Nov. 16 and 18; Microsoft Excel-advanced, Nov. 30 and Dec. 2; publication, Dec. 7 and 9; and surfing the net, Dec. 14 and 16.

Madison residents may register for any of these classes by calling Madison High School at 876-7010 weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Parks recognized in magazine

St. Louis Downtown-Parks Airport in Cahokia has won Illinois Aviation magazine's "Happy Landings" contest. Long-time flight instructor Chester "Chet" J. Hoffman submitted the nomination. The magazine asked people to describe their favorite airport and detail the reasons.

Hoffman, who lives a block from the airport, wrote of the

proximity of many attractions, including the Arch, Busch Stadium, St. Louis Science Center, Cahokia Mounds, Fairmont Park, Kiel Center, Laclede's Landing, the Zoo, Shaw's Botanical Garden and Forest Park.

Parks is open 24 hours a day in all weather. It has more than 600 employees to provide full service, from fueling to de-icing to major repairs. The airport has three paved runways and logs 200,000 operations per year with 97 hangars and 240 based aircraft.

The airport offers transportation to all of the above attractions for \$1.50. For information, call 337-2100 ext. 6263.

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2 charged in shooting at Venice gas station

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Two men were charged Tuesday in a weekend shooting incident in Venice.

Emmit Gordon, 19, of the 600 block of West Third Street in Madison was charged with three counts of armed robbery, a Class X felony. Khalid A. Al-Jaff, 28, of Baucum Avenue in Venice was charged with illegal use of a weapon.

According to reports, Gordon allegedly stole jewelry and a purse from three women in the parking lot of New Venice Gas and Oil, 1101 Fourth St. Khalid was charged after police found a loaded handgun — reported stolen in Mascoutah in February — under the driver's seat of his car after the incident.

The incident allegedly started when a man and several women were getting gas at the convenience store. Gordon allegedly came up to the man and started an argument. During the altercation, another man allegedly hit the victim in the head with a handgun.

While this was happening, Gordon, who allegedly started the incident, walked up to a woman, told her he had a gun and demanded her jewelry and purse. She complied, then he demanded jewelry from two other women. One of those women told police Gordon showed her his gun.

As Gordon was driving away, he allegedly

turned around and fired several shots in the direction of the convenience store.

An officer sitting in his vehicle at about 2:35 a.m. Saturday was told by a woman that there was a fight at the convenience store and that several of the participants were armed.

As the officer was heading to the scene, a 1985 Oldsmobile driven by Khalid left the store's parking lot at a high rate of speed. The officer was making a traffic stop on the car when he reportedly heard several gunshots — the shots allegedly fired by Gordon — coming from the direction of the store. He ordered Khalid and two others out of the car and onto the ground.

At that time another man — later determined to be the victim of the original altercation — came up and attempted to hit Khalid, claiming he had pulled a gun on him.

As the officer tried to restrain the man, the other three jumped back into the car and fled. They were stopped and detained by Madison police a few minutes later.

During a search of the car, police found a loaded 380 semi-automatic handgun under the driver's seat.

Two women at the store identified the three subjects as being involved in the incident. Police said Gordon turned himself in Wednesday morning.

Gas leak forces evacuation

By Paul Mackie
Staff writer

Several homes had to be evacuated Thursday afternoon when a natural gas line broke at the south end of Meridian Road in Glen Carbon.

Police and fire crews evacuated homes on Spruce Street, Guy Street and Meridian Road shortly after 1 p.m. The procedure, along with closing those roads, was a precautionary measure until Illinois Power was able to shut off the line about 2:45 p.m., Glen Carbon Fire Capt. Mike Harris said.

"They hit a gas line that appeared not to be marked. It didn't sound like they had it on their drawing," said B.A. Watson, vice president of operations for River Bend Contractors of Roxana.

River Bend workers were placing location markers for gas, water and electric lines in preparation for construction work on Meridian when the gas leak began sending fumes into the air.

Watson said the important thing was that nobody was injured. He said he believed the 8-inch, steel distributor line provided gas to three houses.

"What determined they

got a break was when (the workers) began to smell (the gas). It's not uncommon to evacuate in these types of situations."

Rich Conner, manager of the Edwardsville/River Bend region of Illinois Power, said it took a couple hours to get the line

repaired because it was underground rather than in an open trench.

"They had to find the exact point it struck," Conner said. "It's pretty routine. We just didn't want it to get to a level where it would cause an explosion."

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Obituaries

Kathryn Blackwell

KATHRYN A. "KAY" BLACKWELL, 69, of Murphysboro died Monday, Sept. 14, 1998, at St. Joseph Memorial Hospital in Murphysboro.

Mrs. Blackwell was born Dec. 20, 1928, in Murphysboro. She was the administrator of the Flora Care Center and retired from Bridgeport Shelter Care. Mrs. Blackwell was a member of the United Methodist Church and Order of Eastern Star Chapter 379.

Survivors include her husband, Richard Blackwell; two daughters, Barbara Hughes of Murphysboro, and Diana Stern of Pickneyville; one son, Everett Blackwell of Murphysboro; four grandchildren, Todd Hughes of Carterville, Joe and Tyler Stern of Pickneyville, and Megan Blackwell of Murphysboro and Berry King of Murphysboro.

She was preceded in death by parents, Walter and Gladys (Baker) King.

Services were Thursday, Sept. 17, at Pettit Funeral Home with the Rev. Robin Lyons and Rev. F.K. Sunny officiating. Entombment was in Mausoleum Gardens of Memory in Murphysboro.

Wanda Cook

WANDA D. (STUBER) COOK, 74, of Granite City died Thursday, Sept. 17, 1998, at St. Louis University Hospital.

Mrs. Cook was born Aug. 5, 1924, in Duquoin. She was a private sitter, a cook at K-Mart in Collinsville and a member of the Eagles Auxiliary and First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Sue Johnson of Granite City; two sons, William Cook of Granite City and Dwight Cook Jr. of Mississippi; four grandchildren, Dawn Mushill, Tanja Cook, Terri Johnson, and David Cook, all of Granite City; and one great-grandchild, Bailey Johnson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dwight Cook Sr.; and her parents.

A memorial service will be 2 p.m.

today, Sunday, Sept. 27, at Anchor-age Hall.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Margaret Culpepper

MARGARET V. (HOFFINGER) CULPEPPER, 70, of Madison, died at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

She was born Dec. 21, 1927, in East St. Louis. She worked as a retail clerk for Grant's Department Store for 12 years before retiring in 1964.

Survivors include her husband, James Culpepper of Madison, whom she married June 8, 1953, in East St. Louis; her daughters, Barbara Hamilton of Cahokia and Darlene Gail of St. Louis; one sister, Laura Hopfinger of Madison; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Adie (Scholt) Hopfinger; two sons, James Jr. and John Culpepper; two sisters and six brothers.

Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. today, Sunday, Sept. 20, at Thomas Chapel, 2205 Pontoon Road in Granite City. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 21, at Thomas Chapel.

Survivors include her daughter, Lorraine Veleman of Granite City; two nieces, Kristie Mathis and Rene Perry, both of Granite City; and three nephews, Dennis Mathis and Mark Mathis, both of Granite City, and Kevin Mathis of Stewart County, Tenn.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Angelo William; and her parents, Lewis and Nora (Melton) Lane.

There will be no services.

Maurice Mestemacher Sr.

MAURICE M. MESTEMACHER SR., 74, of Maryville died Wednesday, Sept. 16, at his residence.

Mrs. Mestemacher was born Jan. 20, 1924, in Owensville, Mo. He was a retired machine parts inspector

for McDonnell Douglas Aircraft. He was a charter member of the St. Lukes United Methodist Church, member of Local #837 International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers and a member of the MC-JAC Tractor Club.

Survivors include his wife, Margeline (Gratz) Mestemacher; one daughter, Marlene List of Washington Park; three sons, Maurice Mestemacher Jr. of Collinsville, Mark Mestemacher of Edwardsville and Martin Mestemacher of Maryville; one brother, Kenneth Mestemacher of Camden, Mo.; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Lillian (Mellies) Mestemacher.

Services were Saturday, Sept. 19, at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Maryville, with the Rev. Thomas Goodell officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Herr Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Edward Newsome

EDWARD NEWSOME, 67, of East St. Louis died Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1998, at Touchette Regional Hospital in Centerville.

Survivors include his daughters, Lenora Newsome of Washington Park, Joan Robinson of East St. Louis, Gloria Newsome of Joliet, Colette Newsome of Belleville, and Edwina Newsome of St. Louis; one son, Harvey Newsome of Joliet; one brother, James Newsome of St. Louis; six sisters, Olympia Wilson of Nebraska, Juanita Moore and Wilma Dandridge of Madison, Marjorie Newsome and Louise Mansey both of St. Louis, and Lorraine Washam of Springfield; 12 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be 7 p.m. today, Sunday, Sept. 20, at Officer Funeral Home Metro East Chapel, 2114 Missouri Ave. in East St. Louis.

Services will be 7 p.m. today, Sunday, Sept. 20, at the funeral home. Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 21, in Sunset Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Millstadt.

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Annexation sought

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within its corporate limits.

The annexation also would mark Edwardsville's farthest expansion into the American Bottoms and the first time the city has crossed Illinois 111. The land became contiguous to the city last year when Edwardsville annexed more than 1,700 acres in the bottoms.

Edwardsville city attorney David Gerber said he expects the Mitchell group to challenge the annexation, but that the city plans to move forward.

"I would assume the city has every intention of annexing the property," Gerber said Wednesday afternoon.

Rich Mueller, a member of the Mitchell incorporation effort, said Wednesday he was unaware of the petition to annex the \$24 million, 812,000-square-foot Dial plant but that his group certainly would oppose it.

"Naturally, we would," he said. "I'd hate to see that happen. We've always considered that being part of

Mitchell.

"I don't really feel they (Edwardsville) have any business in the river bottoms. They should stay up on the bluffs where they belong."

Edwardsville Alderman Rich Walker said annexing land in the bottoms will benefit the city and its residents.

"(Dial) is an important piece of the enterprise zone and serves as an anchor for future growth," Walker said. The petition to annex the 240 acres to Edwardsville was filed in the Madison County Recorder's Office March 25, before Mitchell's scaled-back proposal was approved by the County Board in July.

The petition for that 7.28-square-mile map was not filed until last month. But Mueller said the timing of the filing should not be a factor.

"We agreed to the 7.28-square-mile map, but if they keep eating at us, we're going to be forced to go with the 22-square-mile map, which includes Dial and all that," Mueller said.

Trucks racing into Gateway International

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going to be a gorgeous weekend," said track representative Pete Wickham Thursday morning. "Once we get through today, we're going to be in good shape." He also said that the competition in both races — the Ram Tough 200 and the Re/Max Challenge Series following — is tight.

These guys are in the middle of a very heated points race — both series," he said. "After this race, the truck series has only five races left, and the Re/Max Challenge has only two races left, so it's now or never."

In the NCTS, the three point leaders are within 88 points of each other. "It's moving like the stock market a little bit," Wickham said.

With no trucks on the track, mechanics took the opportunity to work on cars while drivers watched or found something else to do.

"We're losing quarters for money and doing a lot of gambling," said Dodge Mopar team driver Lance Norick. "This is basically what it was like three weeks ago when we tested here. It rained quite a bit."

He said one "advantage" was that pit

"We don't set out every weekend to crash into each other, but a lot of the races are short, we don't have a lot of miles to race. Sometimes you have to go to the front and you have to use the bumper to do it."

Lance Norick
Dodge Mopar team driver

crews were able to do some fine-tuning on the trucks.

"I think we're getting faster in the pits," he said. Norick said that the race should be entertaining.

"Turns one and two are really tight, and three and four are wide open," he said. "It's an interesting track. I think it's going to require quite a bit of horsepower to get up off the corners here, but it ought to be fun."

While Norick was pitching quarters, the other driver for the team, Randy Renfro, also looked for something to do.

"I walk over to the truck and look at it a minute, then I walk over to the hauler (the tractor-trailer that holds the equipment and team offices) and stand under the shelter, then I walk back to the truck," he said. "I've done that about five times. There's really nothing to do so I've got to keep moving."

Renfro said he hadn't tried out the track but looked forward to it. Only four years old, the NCTS is considered the fastest growing segment of auto racing, which is the fastest growing spectator sport in the United States.

Both drivers said one of the exciting things about truck races is that they are "close."

"A lot of fender rubbing, a lot of hitting," Norick said. "We don't set out every weekend to crash into each other, but a lot of the races are short. We don't have a lot of miles to race. Sometimes you have to go to the front and you have to use the bumper to do it."

Renfro agreed. "The truck series is just a series with a lot of short track guys racing on a big track, and they still race like they're on little tracks," he said. "They don't mind pushing each other and rubbing each other at 180 miles per hour."

District chalking up more improvements

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At Madison Middle School, the district added a behavior intervention specialist and additional security, the "looping program" and team teaching at each grade level.

A career development specialist and a special needs tutor have been added to Madison High School.

Expenditures for the coming year are expected to be \$9,615,383. Revenues are expected to be slightly less than expenditures but should not present a problem.

The district will continue to stay off of the state's financial watch list, Allison said. Most of the expenses will be in the education fund, which pays for most of the day-to-day costs of running the district.

Major expected expenses are: Education fund — \$8,027,515; building fund — \$800,010; bond — \$44,410; Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, \$252,348; and fire prevention and safety fund, \$30,000.

Most of the district's funding comes from state and federal sources.

Allison said that only about 14.32 percent of the district's funds come from local sources, primarily property tax revenue.

The state provides about 68 percent of the funds, while the remaining 17 percent is federal money. For the rest of the state, local funds make up about 58 percent of a school district's money, with 22 percent coming from the state and 9 percent from the federal government.

The tax levy, to be paid next year, will be a slight increase — \$43,000 — over this year's levy.

Allison said that is based on an increase in the assessed value of property.

Quarrel leads to false accusation

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retaliation for the false accusation.

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Solid Granite recommendations

Solid Granite committee preliminary recommendations, as of this summer, include the following:

- Complete the study of Nameoki Village Shopping Center to encourage the revitalization of the entire shopping center.
- Form a tax increment financing district to enable redevelopment of the Nameoki Village shopping center.
- Implement the recommendations of the drainage study

completed by the city for Nameoki Village and vicinity.

- Entryway and transportation
- Aggressively pursue the development of the proposed new entry into Granite City from Interstate 70 across Horseshoe Lake, securing its place on the short list of new Illinois Department of Transportation highway projects in southwestern Illinois.
- Connect Neidringhaus Avenue (east) to East 23rd Street and develop a parkway on both sides of East 23rd

leading to the St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

- Select existing entrances to the city and develop a capital improvement program to upgrade the design and appearance of these areas. Insist on the highest standards of design and maintenance from public agencies and private property owners.

Image enhancement Recommendations still are being formulated

Industrial quality

- Actively pursue the further development of the General Steel Castings property in conjunction with the leadership of the National Steel Corp.

- Form a committee within Solid Granite that will assist the Granite City officials in their annexation efforts.

- Support the design, approval, funding and implementation of a drainage system running from the city's northern boundary along the west side of the Alton & Southern Railroad tracks to Horse-

shoe Lake.

Residential quality

- City to make every effort possible to evenly enforce all ordinances pertaining to residential dwellings, hire additional qualified manpower as needed and process violations through a "housing court."

- City to pass ordinances to require a full inspection and correction of deficiencies before a house can be sold.

- City to make every effort possible to work with develop-

ers of new residential dwellings by reducing requirements to surrounding area levels and allowing the use of storm water lakes for drainage.

The Granite City Council is expected to bring up a resolution at the Sept. 22 council meeting saying the city officially recognizes and shares with Solid Granite the same concerns and ideas for the revitalization of the city and would cooperate and work jointly with the group and all concerned citizens in reaching the goals.

Group striving for solid future here

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fruitful meeting producing a resolution expected to be adopted next Tuesday. The Granite City Council is expected to recognize formally Solid Granite's goals and pledge to cooperate with the group to reach the goals.

"We see ourselves as a facilitator of ideas," said Tom Hewlett, president of Solid Granite. Jumping off from two public idea-gathering meetings held in 1997, Solid Granite formed five committees around wide-ranging objectives.

They include recreating Granite City into the cleanest industrial city in America, redesigning the city's entry corridors to be the most

attractive in the Midwest; creating new residential neighborhoods while removing all blighted neighborhoods in the city; redeveloping commercial districts, downtown and Nameoki Village into quality investment areas; and redeveloping all industrial districts and brownfields into quality environmental areas.

The ideas are great, Hewlett said, but the group, which includes such city leaders as Mel Wilmsmeyer and Dave Polivick, needed more weight behind it, including resident support and the approval of and cooperation from the City Council.

"We knew we needed more than just us involved," Hewlett said. "The objectives are far-reaching and very aggressive."

"But I guess the analogy I like to use is... hearing President Kennedy saying we want to put ourselves on the moon. I'm sure some people scratched their heads and said, 'You've got to be kidding,'" Hewlett said. "But we did it, didn't we?"

It's important though, Hewlett said, that people know there are others in the city working to fix problems and reach goals.

"The city is almost at the point of frustration of cleaning up and tidying up for image purposes because of the fact that everyone who comes looking here, whether to go into business or to live here... they do scout around to see what it's like here," said Alderman Kim McTaggart. "We need everyone's help," he said. "But it's not going to

happen overnight."

The council is frustrated about the slow process of enforcement and punishment of city ordinances, Skubish said, and having everyone, especially youths, involved will help.

"The revitalization objectives are really not any different than what we would like to see happen," said Alderman Kim McTaggart, Downtown Rehabilitation Committee chairman.

The Solid Granite Board of Directors meets on the fourth Thursday of the month, and each committee meets regularly or as needed. For more information on Solid Granite, call 451-1567.

(Part 2 of this series will examine in detail many of the Solid Granite proposals and look at funding for projects.)

Park offers free flowers

Wilson Park's annual flower giveaway will be from 8 a.m. until noon Oct. 3.

The event allows the park to remove one kind of flower to make room for another. Flowers to be distributed are annuals planted in the park's main garden flowerbeds last spring. They must be removed to prepare the flowerbeds for the planting of tulips and other spring flowering bulbs.

Even though the plants are annuals, some varieties may be used as house plants, and some will seed. If seeds are properly stored, they may be used for planting next season.

Park garden staff will dig up the flowers to be given away and will answer questions. Varieties available will include: Begonias, black and tri-color sweet potato vine, Caladium Coleus, Croton, Cuphea (Mexican heather and cigar plant), Dahlias, Geraniums, Hydrangeas, Impatiens, Nicotiana, Petunia (pink wave, white, red), Portulaca, Rudbeckia and snapdragons.

Gary Ford, garden supervisor for the Granite City Park District, said no rose cuttings or perennials will be given this season.

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Contest winners named

The grand prize winner of the Suburban Journals Colossal Anastasia Contest is Sandy Osborne. She won a vacation for four to St. Petersburg, Fla.

The winners of Family packs at Kiel Center for "Anastasia on Ice" are Hellen Allen, Jan Alligier, Winnie Lateman, Barbara Boedefeld, Jean Bevington Hope Burkett, Julie Christ, Rosalie Cox, Sarla Emery, Daniel Finocchio, Keill Feltner, Dale Gonoran, L. Kline, Kathy Mavor, Robert Orzel, Richard Rahubka, Jeal Reilly, Naomi Runtz, Dena Schneider, Maureen Schulz, Lorraine Simeone, Sandra Smith, C. Spratley, Joyce Timko and Andy Wyas.

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Buck will bat for volunteers of Old Newsboys Day

By Kelly O'Brien Hugenot
Staff writer

Some 40 years worth of Old Newsboys Day volunteers will get their due, when "Voice of the Cardinals" legend and honorary chairman Jack Buck helps pay tribute this week.

Buck will emcee a tribute to the volunteers at the Old Newsboys Day Kick Off from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, in the Wehrenberg Theatre at West Port Plaza.

All Newsboy corner captains will be recognized for their past achievements and given instructions for the 1998 campaign.

Ted Wetterau, president of the Old Newsboys Children's Charities board, said Buck is a natural choice to honor his fellow volunteers.

"Last year, Jack Buck stood on the corner while it was raining out, no hat on, and spent at least a half-hour selling papers," Wetterau said.

"He enjoys doing things for other people, especially children that need help. That's what makes him unique. He's a wonderful man, and we're fortunate to have him."

Wetterau and Karen Carroll, general manager KMOX (1120-AM) Radio and this year's chairwoman, also plan to attend. Ralph

Butler will provide the entertainment.

Some volunteers have helped since the 1950s, said Ed Watkins, Old Newsboys Day coordinator.

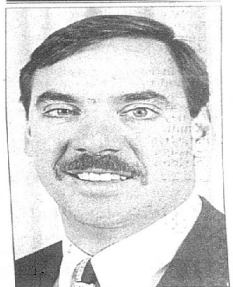
"We want to thank the volunteers that have helped us in the past, some dating back to 1957, and also to help lay out the plans for this year," Watkins said.

Old Newsboys Day is the Suburban Journals' annual fund-raising campaign that benefits more than 250 local children's charities. This year, the selling of the special newspaper will take place on local street corners from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Nov. 19, rain or shine.

New this year to the fund-raising drive is the Westfield Works Wonders event, from 7 to 10 p.m. Nov. 15 at Crestwood Plaza, Mid-Rivers Mall, Northwest Plaza, South County Center and West County Center.

For a \$5 admission mall patrons will receive special discounts, food and entertainment. The event is sponsored by Westfield Shoppingtowns and Suburban Journals. All the money raised from Old Newsboys Day events goes directly to Old Newsboys children's charities.

For more information, or to R.S.V.P., call 916-0061.



Tony Bogolin Jr.

Journals name new CFO

Tony Bogolin Jr. has joined the Suburban Journals as chief financial officer.

Bogolin, 34, formerly was vice president-controller and treasurer at Venture Stores Inc., headquartered in O'Fallon, Mo.

He spent 12 years at Venture, beginning as a transportation analyst in 1986. After earning a bachelor's degree in accounting from Northeast Missouri State University in December 1985, Bogolin became a certified public accountant in March 1987.

"It's exciting to be entering a new industry," Bogolin said. "I'm looking forward to the opportunity of learning about the newspaper business."

Thomas E. Rice, president and CEO of the Suburban Journals, said Bogolin will be an asset to the newspapers.

"We're happy to have Tony on board," Rice said. "His strong financial background makes him an excellent choice for chief financial officer."

Bogolin attended Parkway South High School and currently lives in Wentzville with his wife, Kassi, and their three daughters, Erika, 7; Olivia, 3; and Emily, 6 months.

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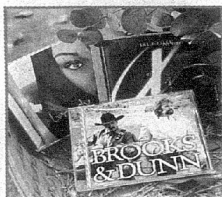
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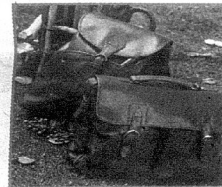
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Though she moved almost 2,000 miles away two years ago, we talk often and look forward to our Saturday morning chats over a cup of long-distance tea. I always pray that one day the good Lord will bring her back home, which someday soon I know He will.

I am truly blessed and thankful that God sent me someone so precious, so dear, to help me in my day-to-day life. There is never a time when I talk to her that I don't instantly feel better about whatever situation I may be experiencing at that time.

The sound of her voice, her wisdom and caring advice, has sustained me through the hardest times and brings such joy in the best of times.

Even though the Lord may take some of our dearest loved ones to be with Him, He never leaves us alone. He sends us His angels to minister unto us and gives us mothers, sisters and brothers from His great family.

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A New You



Catherine Galasso

God-like love of true friendship. Best friends are treasures, someone you can confide in, trust and lean on. They hear with their hearts not with their intellect. A friend's sunny smile spreads rays of happiness that can brighten even the darkest hours.

True friends want nothing from you except the joy of your friendship and presence. They want to lift you up when you are down and share the mountaintops of their joy with you.

God's word says, "To have a friend, you must first be one." So, go ahead, stick your neck out, in love, and soon it will be wreathed in flowers of thanks.

Provide emotional support for someone. By communicating and being a good listener you can help them overcome life's daily problems. Friends comfort when difficult situations arise.

Be there when someone needs you. Let your conversations inspire and lift another up above the irritating problems of this world. You might take a walk together, have a beverage at a quaint cafe or go on a shopping spree. Just calling to say "hi" or sending a card to let them know you are thinking of them can keep the love of being alive ever apparent.

Believe in your friends. Cheer on their successes and encourage their dreams. Make them feel special.

The need of friendship is a universal force. Treat all that you come into contact with as though they are your special friends. Share, appreciate and laugh with your fellow human beings and make this world a wonderful place to live in.

Pray for your friends and even for total strangers. You never know the impact your

prayers will have in their lives.

"I pray for guidance as to where my prayers are needed," says Pat Gaudio of North Haven, Conn. What a wonderful feeling it is to know you have helped someone you may never know.

When I read your lovely letters, dear readers, I feel so loved, valuable and special. You are my family, my friends. Your words make me want to open up my heart and give joy to every one of you.

It's amazing what a wonderful impact positive words written or genuinely spoken from the heart can do for a person's life. The world really is full of good and kind folks. The word of God says, "There is a friend that sticks closer than a brother."

Blessings to you. May your precious days be directed by God's guiding hand and filled with His love.

Milestones

Joe Green celebrates a birthday today, Sept. 20.
Nicole Harper celebrates a birthday today, Sept. 20.
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Vicky Flora celebrates a birthday today, Sept. 20.
Jim and Pam Bagl celebrate their wedding anniversary today, Sept. 20.

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Eagles Auxiliary 1126 holds August meeting

Granite City Eagles Auxiliary 1126 welcomed member Kathleen Benda of Michigan at its first meeting of August. Benda and her husband came back for a family event. President Nina Jackson held a special meeting prior to the regular meeting to discuss equipment, filing systems, member updates, etc. The group honored Millie Weatherford, auxiliary mother, with a birthday dinner and party prior to the meeting. The group gave a bond and T-shirt to Cory Clayton, our honorary "auxiliary son," for supporting our organization. Clayton is a teen who volunteers in the kitchen and with dining room clean-ups. He always is around to help anyone. He is the grandson of Barbara Ramseyland. Jackson opened the meeting with 35 members in attendance. A roll of officers was taken. All were present. The secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. They were approved. Melody Sieverlin was

re-enrolled, and two new applications were read. Visiting chairman reported that she had sent get-well cards to Martha Simpson, Marcia Warren, Jeanne Burton, Bobbie Haddix, Florence Hagnauer, Elmer Jackson, Jerry Miles and a sympathy card to the family of Von Dee Cruise, former mayor of Granite City. Randy Odom and Jackson, chairman of the Eagles Family Festival, which was held on Aug. 1, thank all who participated. The group will consider this again next year. All proceeds went to charity and community programs. College scholarships were discussed for the Granite City High School seniors. A motion was made and approved to buy two full scholarships this year for \$1,000 each. Barbara Modrusic and Joanna Spencer reported on their recent trip to the Eagles National Convention in Spokane, Wash. Both served as ritual aides and received special pins for their services. Modrusic presented a pin to

Angie Buehler, our state grandmother this year. Buehler was unable to attend the national convention. Angie and Pat Fitchet reported on attending the dedication of the new Springfield Aerie and Auxiliary 487 Home and described the stuffed Eagle, named the "The Rock." Others in attendance at the meeting were Mary Church, La Verne Malzynski, Helen

Paschedag, Hilda Melton, Sharon Case, Li Moore, Enda Chase, Melba Frazier, Odom, Neva Benko, Suzie Rogers, Dorothy Landfried, Lorraine Parkinson, Tracy Kurg, Tammy Worthen, Dorothy Robies, Betty Taylor, Sharon Hogan, Evaleen Ederle, Kathryn Huff, Ann Pates, Flo Stokes, Martha Simpson, Vincenne Zerlan, Katie Kostoff and Mildred Boyd.

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Fall has finally arrived! And it's a fantastic time of year, with the crisp days, cool nights and gorgeous color.

But the arrival of fall signals you to go into action as far as providing some protection for your plants. That's the one disadvantage of fall: it's followed by winter.

You don't have to rush into things. We still have plenty of nice mild days ahead. And that's the time to take care of plant protection. Who wants to be out there with the cold wind howling and snow flying?

Plants that have been correctly planted, watered and fertilized are better able to withstand the harsh effects of winter. Trees and shrubs have already started doing some of the work. Back in summer, they began preparing for winter by slowing their growth rate and firming their stems.

Many other plants, however, need help from you for additional winter protection. For example, broadleaf evergreens keep their foliage all year, but the sun and wind draw water from the foliage. And when the ground is frozen, the plants can't replace the water, and as a result, scorch develops on the foliage. It's recognized by dry, brown areas.

If you keep the plants well watered throughout the fall, you can reduce this water loss. And when a nice winter thaw rolls around, you can add more water.

Another plant that's very sensitive to winter is a newly-planted tree. Winter sun can burn the exposed bark. This is known as sunscald. The bark of the tree, especially the side facing south, splits from the rapid cooling and heating that often occurs on winter days.

How can you prevent this? Wrap the tree's trunk with a paper tree wrap.

Cold temperatures can wreak havoc on roses, also. The canes can become damaged or the entire plant can die if it's left unprotected. The time to prevent this chain of events is when the first hard frost is due. Fortunately, that's still a long way off, so you can concentrate on other chores first.

Squirrels, mice, rabbits and other rodents like to feed on the tender bark at the base of young trees. You can protect these areas by placing specialized tree guards or a two-to-three-foot high small-meshed fence around the trunk.

A good winter mulch is one of the best protective measures you can take, but there's no need to rush into it just yet. Mulch is great cold-weather plant protection. Bulbs, trees, shrubs, small fruits and perennials all benefit from it. Mulch also acts as insulation, conserving ground heat so soil won't freeze as fast. And that's a great relief for plant roots.

Now's a good time for these steps, since winter's still a bit distant. And when these are out of the way, you'll be able to enjoy the fall season without worry.

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Sports

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Numbers aren't all there

Some squads suffer from low turnout

It is a Sunday and while I hit my keyboard, I can hear the sounds of youngsters playing ball in a nearby backyard. All do not wear ball gloves since they play with what we used to call a kittenball — an oversized softball that is soft enough that it might not do much harm if it hit someone any more than the damage it could cause if struck against a neighbor's house.

Their bat appears to be cut off or shortened so that there's little doubt of anyone

not having enough energy or ability to hit the ball.

There are no coaches, no umpires, no parents on the sidelines, and no one seems to mind the fact that

where the pitcher and batter stand, the grass has become bare.

Oh, how I enjoy those sounds that have been repeated since I began to appreciate new neighbors about a year ago. I even heard one mention to another, "Hi, pal."

No need to mention names here since I might offend someone by omission, but as I watch these grade school youngsters set their own boundaries and rules and settle their own disputes, I wonder how many of them will compete in sports when they get to the high school level.

Already, I've seen them move from sport to sport with the seasons. You know, from one game to another — whether their form of baseball, including an occasional broadcast of the events, to basketball to street hockey to football to soccer.

Their fun never seems to end any more than my appreciation of the present or of my youth when, I guess, I was just like them. Yet, if they are representative of others close to their age, why should I not be concerned when I hear of the low turnout of athletes for sports at some high schools?

Without referring in any particular order, I am able to note that just six freshmen boys reported for soccer at Belleville West in a community that boasts more than 2,000 pre-high school aged players in the Belle-Chair League.

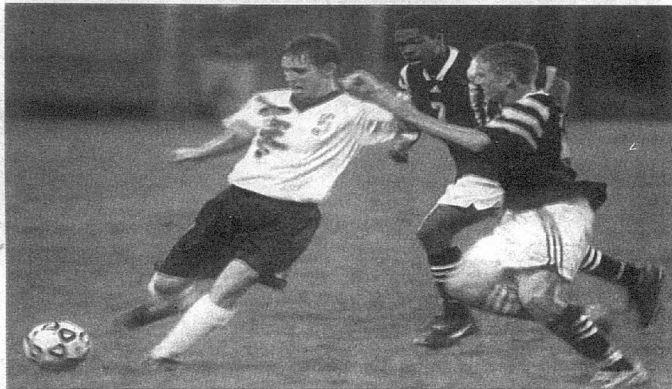
Alton not only dropped its freshman soccer schedule but — despite an enrollment of nearly 2,000 — the Redbirds varsity football roster shows just three seniors, a poor turnout when you consider nationally recognized Coach Bob Shannon.

At Stephen Decatur High, which was 4-5 a year ago in football, only 18 students of an enrollment of 800 showed up for football tryouts, causing that school to drop the sport.

Even some smaller schools are struggling. There is no JV soccer at Weslin or Trenton or at Roxana. At Mascoutah, where girls are permitted to play on the full team since there is no girls team in the spring, this year's soccer program includes a total of 32 — 24 boys and eight girls, compared to 45 a year ago.

Is commitment the answer? Are high school youths too occupied with other interests to devote time to sports? Are fewer numbers just a trend? Are today's prep students children of a generation that lost sight of the benefits of playing sports? Are players

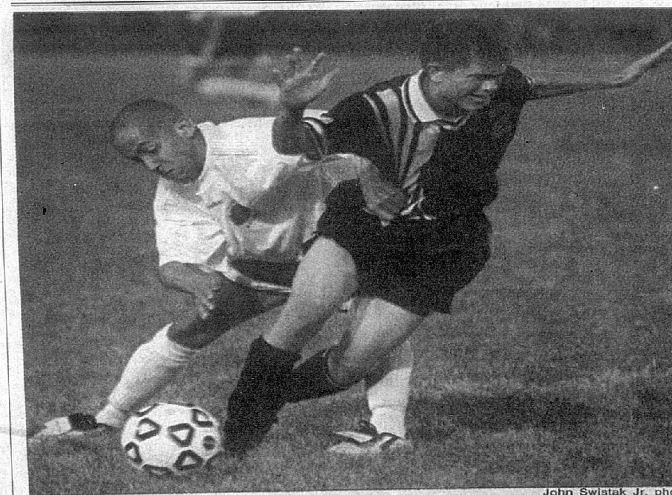
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Granite City's Andy Ronk (left) sends a pass to a teammate while the Edwardsville players close in during Thursday's game.



Collinsville quarterback Derek LeMaster (10) hands off to fullback Eric Stewart.



The missing photo

Collinsville's Lee Zarzecki (left) and Granite City's Corey Winfield battle for the ball during the Sept. 10 Southwestern Conference game at Collinsville. Granite City won the game. The picture did not run in last Sunday's Journal although the cutting information appeared in the paper.

Granite City ties Edwardsville

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

Granite City and Edwardsville held a summit in the mud Thursday night, and came away with a 2-2 detente.

"We didn't play as well as we should have," Granite City keeper Brandon Williams said. Granite City took a 1-0 lead and fell behind 2-1 at halftime before gaining the tie.

The Warriors' first goal came 21st minute. Granite City's forward Dave Margrahe, Jenkins knocked the ball out to Granite City's Mike Smith, who took a hard shot

"We didn't play as well as we should have."

Brandon Williams
Granite City keeper

that Jenkins dove to save. Margrahe collected the rebound and hit a half-volley for the goal. The Tigers tied the game five minutes later, when junior Tim Byrnes snaked a pass through traffic to Sean Huneke, who was standing alone in front of the net. Edwardsville went ahead with a little more than two

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Warriors fall to 0-4 as Kahoks win again

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

The Collinsville High football team entered some uncharted territory Friday night at Kahok Stadium.

The Kahoks posted a 28-16 Southwestern Conference victory against Granite City and improved to 4-0 this season. For the first time since 1961, Collinsville has started a campaign with four consecutive wins.

A big reason the Kahoks are 4-0: their smash-mouth type of offense. They displayed it again Friday against the Warriors, who fell to 0-4. Collinsville running backs Kory Kimbrell and Eric Stewart each rushed for more than 100 yards. Kimbrell unofficially gained 111 yards while Stewart unofficially had 103.

Granite City football coach Nick Petrillo said the Kahoks' offense line was the difference.

"You know and I know that

games are won or lost on the line of scrimmage," Petrillo said. "Our kids just didn't block well enough to win. I think if (Warriors' quarterback) Zuck May gets a little time to throw the ball and (running back Brooks) Narvaez gets a little hole to run in, we will be all right."

Collinsville 28, Granite City 16	
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COLLINSVILLE	6 8 7 7 — 28
First Quarter	
COLLINSVILLE — Kory Kimbrell 1 yard run (kick failed) 8:57	
Second Quarter	
COLLINSVILLE — Steve Ballinger 7 yard run (Eric Stewart run), 11:05	
Third Quarter	
COLLINSVILLE — Stewart 4 yard run (Kimbrell kick), 4:09	
Fourth Quarter	
GRANITE CITY — Brooks Narvaez 2 run (Tony Randazzo pass), 4:17	
COLLINSVILLE — Stewart 36 yard run (Kimbrell kick), 4:09	
GRANITE CITY — Kevin Elliott 55-yard pass from Zuck May (Narvaez run), 3:57	

Patterson's performance nearly perfect vs. DeSmet

Belleville East quarterback accounted for 274 yards and six touchdowns

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

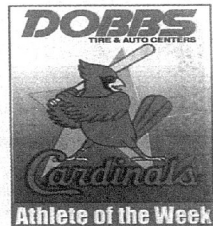
Tony Patterson has been impressive in nearly every game since he became Belleville East's starting quarterback. But in a Sept. 10 game against DeSmet, he was virtually unstoppable.

Patterson, a senior, ran 10 times for 79 yards and three touchdowns and completed 9 of 17 passes for 195 yards and three touchdowns as the host Lancers rolled to a 48-13 victory. For the season, Patterson has carried the ball 31 times for 196 yards and seven TDs while completing 21 of 43 passes for 329 yards and three TDs.

Tony has always been a steady performer with athletic skills. East coach Mike McGinnis said of Patterson, in his second season as a starter, "Last year he was somewhat reserved in the first few games, but you could see he had the tools."

He missed his whole sophomore year due to an injury and he battled (Andy) Schutzenhofer for the quarterback job his junior year. We decided to go with Andy on defense and Tony on offense, and now those two guys are our captains.

"Each game, Tony started



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to understand more and more of what he was going and started to use his talent. He did a great job with the option."

Patterson's passing performance in the DeSmet game is proof that his passing can be as effective as his running.

"He's always had a good arm, but he's changed his approach this year," said McGinnis, whose team took a 2-1 record into Friday's game against Belleville West. "He's an accurate passer and a good decision maker."

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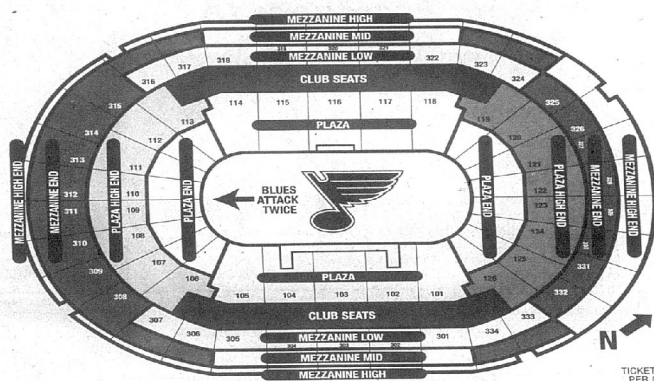
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Soccer showdown ends in tie

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minutes left in the first half. After a free kick from the top of the box, Tigers forward Luke Krcanalmeyer found the Warriors defense standing around and put home the shot to take the 2-1 lead into halftime.

"I thought in the first half we clearly outplayed them," Granite City coach Gene Baker said. "Then the barrage of restarts came. We thought their second goal came off a rolling ball on the kick."

With 9:07 left in the game, tied the game off a corner kick. Lefty Steve Hendrickson took the kick, curling the ball into the box. Forward Nathan Nichols got up in the air at the far post and used his head to tie the game at 2-2.

"Nathan's goal was a beauty," Baker said. Two 10-minute overtime periods failed to yield the winner, and the game ended in a tie.

Edwardsville coach Mark Schwarzkopf was disappointed with the result.

"I think we played well enough to win," he said. "We gave up opportunities for Granite to counter, which is their strength. They knock it deep and strong and they become dangerous."

"Granite City played their style and they're not going to

change. They did well to convert our mistake on the first goal. Their second was just a nice header off the post."

Edwardsville's record is now 1-0-2 in the Southwestern Conference.

"To be honest, I don't know who will go through and dominate the conference," Schwarzkopf said. "It'll be fun, it'll be interesting. Alton is better, though it might not reflect in their scores."

"Our struggle is that we have a lot of youth and we are trying to get them experience. We're trying to do that through strength of schedule. The problem is that we don't have one player who has yet stepped forward to be that kind of authority, that kind of presence the other guys cling to. We think Brandon Gayler will eventually fill the role Justin MacFarland played for us in the past."

The Warriors were coming off a Tuesday night showdown with the St. Louis' top team, Richmond Heights (Mo.) CHS. The Warriors lost 2-0.

"I didn't feel like we let off," Williams said. "I felt like we were ready. This was a big game for us."

Edwardsville tied Belleville East, so we're not happy with the tie tonight," Baker said. "I thought we had 10 or 15 minutes of the first half where we struggled, but

then I thought we dominated the rest of the game."

"In the first minute of play, (Josh) Peacher missed a tap-in from about two feet. If we get that one it changes the whole complexion of the game."

Jared (MacMillan) once again played his heart out. We had him at midfield instead of defense tonight."

The Warriors main problem was spacing. All too often, there was an enormous gap between the Granite City defense and their forwards — a no-man's land where Edwardsville could run into and cause turnovers.

"That's our problem," Baker said. "It's solidified now because of a lack of preparation in practice."

Granite City was scheduled to play St. Charles (Mo.) Francis Howell on Saturday, Monday through Wednesday, the Warriors will play in the Hazelwood (Mo.) Central tournament. All three games are at Rosary High in north St. Louis County, and all start at 6 p.m. (See Page 2B)

Edwardsville will also play in the tournament.

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Patterson leads Lancers to victory

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"We're still not like (the NFL), but we're passing the ball a little more this year. With his play-action passes and quick drops, he shows the ability to hit guys. He has a great demeanor for a quarterback and he has great presence in the huddle and on the field."

"He's such a nice kid to talk to that you can forget he's a competitor all the way to the bone. He has a tough streak. That's an awesome mixture for a high school kid. He's a pleasure to coach."

Not surprisingly, mention of the DeSmet game puts a grin on Patterson's face.

"Everything was going good," he said. "The defense gave us the ball and the offensive line was blocking. We had some big plays early in the game."

"It was the best game I've had. You dream of a game like that. It was great for me and great for the team."

"I feel more comfortable this year. Last year I was trying not to make too many mistakes, but this year I'm just going with the flow of the game."

The 6-foot-3, 195-pound Patterson feels he is better prepared mentally and physically this season.

"Coach McGinnis had us in the offseason weight (lifting) program and it helped me a lot," he said. "I gained 15 pounds from last year."

"My speed has increased so I can dodge those defenders. My arm strength is about the same, but my decision making is better. I'm going back in the pocket and taking time to find the open receiver. Last year, I would have rushed it instead of waiting for things to develop."

In 1997, Patterson guided the Lancers to a 7-3 record and a Class 6A playoff berth.

"We should be as good as last year," he said. "Guys are stepping up and playing big-time. Some of them don't get the recognition like me, but they play their hearts out every game. Our first goal is to win the (Southwestern) conference championship and then go on to the playoffs."

"The offensive line has done a great job. They're a bunch of young guys, but they should be one of the top lines in the area as the season progresses."

Patterson's long-range goals include college football.

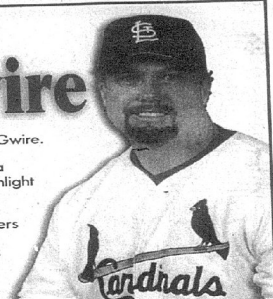
"I'd like to play at a (NCAA) Division I college, but I haven't got one college in mind," he said. "A lot of schools have contacted me, but academics come first."

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Honda's CR-V transformed by 5-speed gearbox

By Tom Strongman

It's amazing the difference a gearbox makes. Honda's CR-V mini-sport-ute is transformed by the five-speed manual transmission that is now available. It is livelier, friendlier and a whole lot more fun. Until this year, the CR-V was offered exclusively with an automatic transmission. For me, the automatic just seemed to sap too much power and enthusiasm from the 2.0-liter, four-cylinder, 126-horsepower engine. Acceleration, especially when merging into freeway traffic, was too tedious. The five-speed remedies that. Nipping through city traffic is a breeze. Because of the tall seating position, visibility is excellent. Slipping the shift lever through the gears is easy because the linkage is direct and the clutch action is light and smooth. A round, nicely textured knob tops the shift lever and makes each shift enjoyable. While the engine doesn't exactly burst with power, it keeps up with traffic easily. Take it on the highway and it buzzes right along. At 70 mph in fifth gear the engine sounds pretty busy, but it is far from intrusive. CR-Vs are available in front-wheel drive or four-wheel drive, in LX or EX trim versions. Prices begin at \$19,745 and range up to \$21,445.

Our test vehicle was an EX equipped with Honda's Real Time 4WD system, which drives the front wheels the majority of the time. The more the front wheels slip, the more power goes to the rear wheels. This system is simple and requires no action on the part of the driver.

The only drawback to this system is the lack of an extra-low range for off-road use, but this vehicle is not really intended to be driven that way.

The CR-V's newfound energy is an ideal complement to its spunky personality. Small SUVs are extremely practical, especially for city use, and this one follows suit. The interior is loaded with clever touches, such as a tiny table with cup holders that flips up between the front seats. Two more cup holders slide out of the dash. Back in the cargo area a 12-volt power outlet is conveniently next to the tailgate. A waterproof well in the floor can be used as a cooler or for out-of-sight storage. A section of the load floor lifts out and unfolds to form a small picnic table.

In keeping with its utilitarian nature, the CR-V's interior has colorful, tweed-like upholstery. Front seats are firmer than some folks like, but I found them comfortable. The back seat, too, is firm, and the seat-back is quite upright. Folding the split-folding seat forward can be done one-hand-

ed. With the back seat folded down, the total cargo space is greater than Toyota's RAV4 and about the same as the Jeep Cherokee.

The instrument panel resembles that of the Civic sedan. Rotary dials for heating/cooling slide smoothly, and the fan has almost infinite settings.

The two-piece tailgate is cumbersome because the glass window has to be flipped up before the side-opening tailgate can be unlatched.

Our test vehicle was a 4WD EX with a base price of \$20,945. Standard equipment included anti-lock brakes, tilt steering wheel, AM/FM stereo with CD player, power steering, power windows, power locks with remote keyless entry and alloy wheels.

The only options were floor mats and roof rack, which brought the sticker price to \$21,013.

The standard warranty is for three years or 36,000 miles. Point: With the addition of a five-speed manual gearbox, Honda's CR-V gets a more vigorous personality that better matches its appearance. Inside, thoughtful gadgets enhance its utilitarianism.

Counterpoint: The two-piece tailgate takes a couple of steps to open, and that can be tricky when you're holding a couple bags of groceries.

Engine:
2.0-liter, four-cylinder
Transmission:
Automatic
Wheelbase:
103.2 inches
Curb Weight:
3,217 pounds
Base Price:
\$20,945
Price as Driven:
\$21,013
MPG Estimate:
22 city, 25 highway

Points & Plugs Auto dealerships' profitability fell in '97

By Rick Stoff

The profitability of auto dealerships fell in 1997, although total sales increased, says the National Automobile Dealers Association. The typical dealership earned \$306,980 in profits — about 1.4 percent of sales — last year. Profits were 1.5 percent of sales in 1996.

The average dealership sold \$21.9 million worth of new and used cars, service and parts. The average net worth of dealerships was placed at \$1.4 million.

The average profit on a new vehicle sold in 1997 was \$1,447, up from \$1,402 the previous year. About half of each dealer's profits were earned in the service bays, and about one-fourth came from the used-car side of the lot.

The profit margin on a new car was about 6 percent, down from 10 percent a couple of decades ago.

Car hobbyists in Ohio are scared to death by a proposal floating through the state legislature that would allow local zoning ordinance officers to confiscate — permanently — any vehicles they deem to be nuisances.

The national magazine Special Interest Autos says the legislation apparently would allow local officials to decide which vehicles fall under the undefined umbrella of "nuisance," so even old cars stored in a garage could be taken.

The law would allow local officials to remove any unlicensed vehicles they desire. The owner then would have 10 days to provide proof of ownership, but if the owner lives at the same address from which the car was seized, he could not have it back. Period.

"We're not advocates of mini-junkyards on everyone's front lawn," the magazine editorialized. "The danger is this bill passes lies in the ability of people to complain even if your cars or trucks or parts are out of public view. And after they've been hauled away, you haven't got a snowball's chance in July of getting them back. Moreover, you won't be compensated a penny for an act tantamount to legalized theft."

With General Motors facing the need for massive restructuring, industry analysts are looking at its model offerings and guessing which ones may have to be eliminated.

Automotive News magazine has compiled a list of the 15 lowest-selling vehicles in the GM fleet. The gorgeous Buick Riviera apparently isn't good-looking enough, since only 6,332 were sold through the first seven months of 1998. GM sold 8,704 Cadillac Eldorados and 12,901 Oldsmobile Auroras during that period.

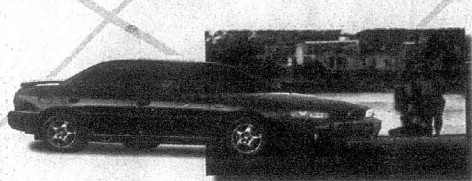
Cadillac accounted for three of the 15 cars and trucks on the list. But Cadillac needs its niche vehicles to stay ahead of Lincoln in the domestic luxury race, the magazine believes. Through July, Lincoln had outsold Cadillac. But did you know that Cadillac has held that sales lead every year since 1950, when the crown was taken away from ... Packard?

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